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In re Patent Application of	)	
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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned	)	Examiner:
Filed: May 5, 2005 (Herewith)	)	Confirmation No.:
For: MONITORING VALVE, ROCK	)	
DRILLING APPARATUS AND A	)	
METHOD FOR CONTROLLING AT	)	
LEAST TWO HYDRAULIC	)	
ACTUATORS TO SUCH A	)	
MONITORING VALVE AND ROCK	)	
DRILLING APPARATUS	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: